

22.—Convictions and Sentences for all Offences, by Provinces, 1917-1923—concluded.

Provinces.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.	1923.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Alberta—							
Convictions.....	6,627	7,633	7,001	8,459	9,847	9,201	10,067
Sentences—							
Penitentiary.....	56	65	76	67	67	99	77
Gaol or fine.....	6,124	7,206	6,401	7,756	8,809	7,907	9,384
Reformatory.....	1	2	1	4	4	19	10
Death.....	1	1	3	3	2	2	4
Other sentences.....	445	359	520	629	965	1,174	592
British Columbia—							
Convictions.....	8,002	7,680	8,789	15,434	16,020	13,066	13,115
Sentences—							
Penitentiary.....	57	43	81	80	194	129	123
Gaol or fine.....	6,004	6,536	7,768	14,084	14,617	11,822	12,349
Reformatory.....	30	38	34	22	15	26	31
Death.....	1	1	1	-	3	3	-
Other sentences.....	1,910	1,062	905	1,248	1,191	1,086	612
Yukon Territory—							
Convictions.....	106	75	37	55	40	62	39
Sentences—							
Penitentiary.....	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gaol or fine.....	75	66	21	45	21	39	38
Reformatory.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Death.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other sentences.....	24	9	16	10	19	23	1

2.—Indictable Offences.

In Table 23 are shown, by provinces, the number of charges and convictions for "indictable" offences for the years ended Sept. 30, 1921, 1922 and 1923. The number of charges declined from 21,451 in 1921 to 21,032 in 1922 and 19,759 in 1923, and the number of convictions from 16,169 in 1921 to 15,720 in 1922 and 15,188 in 1923. Proportionately, the decline between 1922 and 1923 has been greatest in the Maritime Provinces, where convictions fell from an aggregate of 1,050 in 1922 to 561 in 1923; there were also declines in Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba, whilst Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia recorded increases.

23.—Charges, Convictions and Percentages of Acquittals for Indictable Offences, by Provinces, 1921-1923.

Provinces.	1921.			1922.			1923.		
	Char- ges.	Convic- tions.	Acquit- tals.	Char- ges.	Convic- tions.	Acquit- tals.	Char- ges.	Convic- tions.	Acquit- tals.
	No.	No.	p.c.	No.	No.	p.c.	No.	No.	p.c.
Prince Edward Island.....	21	15	28.6	40	27	32.5	18	13	27.8
Nova Scotia.....	1,029	712	30.8	973	701	28.0	636	400	36.9
New Brunswick.....	356	313	12.1	373	322	13.7	206	148	28.1
Quebec.....	3,606	2,654	26.4	3,779	2,885	23.7	3,501	2,655	24.1
Ontario.....	10,180	7,548	25.9	9,622	7,021	27.1	9,185	6,886	24.9
Manitoba.....	1,353	1,159	14.3	1,578	1,188	24.7	1,419	1,094	22.9
Saskatchewan.....	1,558	1,220	21.7	1,733	1,391	19.7	1,587	1,446	8.8
Alberta.....	1,652	1,263	23.5	1,613	1,171	27.4	1,753	1,424	18.6
British Columbia.....	1,693	1,282	24.3	1,308	1,004	23.2	1,443	1,116	22.5
Yukon.....	3	3	-	13	10	23.0	2	1	-
N.W. Territories.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	5	44.4
Canada.....	21,451	16,169	24.6	21,032	15,720	25.3	19,759	15,188	23.0

NOTE.—The figures of the above table do not include charges or convictions of juvenile delinquents.

Classes of Indictable Offences.—Indictable offences are divided under the Canadian system into six main classes, as follows: offences against the person, offences against property with violence, offences against property without violence,